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- 5 Because, being the largest purchasers of Dry Goods in this section, we are in position to buy to better advantage. Buying in larger quantities naturally secures for us the lower price, therefore we are enabled to save you money.
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- 7 Because the firm's guarantee of satisfaction accompanies every purchase. YOU MUST BE ENTIRELY SATISFIED, otherwise the article is returnable—for credit, exchange or your money back.

MILLER & RHOADS.

DESIGNS ON DISPLAY AT MANUFACTURERS' EXHIBIT

Architects' Drawings Removed From City Hall to Chamber of Commerce Building.

CROWDS WILL SEE EXHIBIT

Twelve Drawings Submitted in Recent Municipal Building Competition Form an Attractive Display. To Remain on Exhibit Ten Days.

Twelve designs recently submitted in the municipal building competition are on display in the Manufacturers' Exhibit, fourth floor, Chamber of Commerce Building, Building Inspector Butler yesterday transferred the designs to the exhibit hall, and Director Horace F. Smith cleared a space for them and helped to arrange them in an attractive manner.

Those desiring to inspect the designs will be admitted free of charge to the exhibit hall beginning this morning, and it is predicted that many Richmond people will avail themselves of this opportunity. The front elevation drawing of each of the designs is mounted on an easel to facilitate inspection, and around each of the easels, drawings showing floor plans and sections are hung. The designs will remain on exhibition for a period of ten days.

DESIGNS WILL BE RETURNED TO COMPETING ARCHITECTS

By the terms of the program, the city's control over the competitive designs will end thirty days after the final award—January 2. On that date competing architects will receive their designs from the Building Inspector, who will take a receipt attesting their proper return. The city will retain only the three prize-winning designs. On file with the exhibition is a copy of the advisory architect's report, which guided the municipal building committee in making its awards.

Designs on exhibition are: Carneal & Johnson, No. 7, first prize; Herbert L. Cain, No. 4, second prize; W. Duncan Lee, No. 8, third prize; Carl Ithuer, No. 1; A. F. Hunt, No. 2; Asbury & Whitcomb, No. 3; C. K. Howell, No. 5; Remington & Co., No. 6; Charles M. Robinson, Inc., No. 9; M. E. Wright, No. 10; Noland & Baskerville, No. 11; and D. Wiley Anderson, No. 12. The exhibit is in charge of a committee consisting of President H. Lee, Mayor of the Common Council, and Messrs. Butler and Watkins.

LEE CAMP ELECTS OFFICERS

Committee Appointed to Arrange Memorial to Be Held on January 8.

R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, has elected the following officers to serve during the year 1915: commander, J. Tyler Johnson; first lieutenant-commander, John Lamb; second lieutenant-commander, E. A. Catlin; third lieutenant-commander, W. M. Evans; adjutant, J. Taylor Stratton; quartermaster, David A. Brown, Jr.; surgeon, Dr. George Rose; chaplain, Rev. James Power Smith; chaplain, Rev. Landon R. Mason; chaplain, Rev. P. D. Stevenson; officer of the day, George T. Dean; treasurer, W. B. Freeman; sergeant-major, W. B. Lightfoot; vidette, J. H. Brower; color sergeant, A. C. Wren; color guard, W. R. Wood; color guard, James H. Eubank. Executive Committee: Peter J. White, Luther Martin, H. C. Hartman, janitor, W. E. Moore.

The camp's memorial service in honor of its departed members will be held on Friday, January 8. The committee on arrangements for this event is composed of the following: Rev. James Power Smith, D. D., and Peter J. White. The following committee has been appointed to arrange for the annual sermon, to be delivered before the camp on Sunday, January 17: Rev. P. D. Stevenson, John Lamb, Dr. George Ross and Rev. L. R. Mason. The committee at a later date will designate a minister to preach the sermon, and a church in which the service will be held.

James Mitchell Acquitted.

James Mitchell, colored, indicted by the Hastings Court grand jury on the charge of murder, was given trial yesterday and acquitted by the jury. Mitchell was charged with stabbing James Thomas, also colored, in a fight last August. Thomas died from his wounds ten days after the affray.

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SKETCHES FROM LIFE -By Temple



"Just Stepped Out"

ELEVENTH STREET SITE NO LONGER CONSIDERED

Highly Improbable That Annex Federal Building Will Be Erected.

REPORTS ARE KEPT SECRET

Government Officials Will Not divulge Recommendations Made Inspectors—Two Pieces of Property on Main Street Viewed.

It is practically certain that property adjoining the Federal Building will not be purchased by the Treasury Department for the purpose of enlarging the postal facilities of this city. Inspectors H. T. Thornton and other officials are not in favor of purchase, and it is believed that inspectors who investigated conditions here have recommended the acquisition of another site.

Two available sites are under consideration. Both are located on Main Street between Seventh and Eighth Streets. One fronts 130 feet on Main Street, beginning at the southwest corner of Eighth Street. The other fronts 130 feet on Main Street, beginning at the southeast corner of Seventh Street. The former extends back to C Street, a distance of 330 feet and the same frontage there. The latter extends back to Cary Street, but a frontage of 128 feet only. This additional piece of property is 163 feet deep, making an L-shaped lot.

On account of ventilation and lighting, Mr. Thornton thinks that either the two sites under consideration would be suitable for the post-office. If the present building were enlarged these two things would still be lacking, while the congested conditions would prevail within a few years, particularly as the parcel division is growing rapidly.

WANTS SEPARATE BUILDING FOR POST-OFFICE PURPOSES

He desires a new building entirely for the post-office and the Treasury Departments, but the recommendations have been kept secret for a while. The sum of \$450,000 has been appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a site for the building, but it is only available for the purchase of property adjoining the present building, and the Secretary of the Treasury can use his judgment in buying the ground. If he thinks it would be unwise, the money would then be sent back to the Treasury. Other officials think it is available for this purpose. Postmaster Thornton among these latter ones.

Should a site be purchased, it would be several years before a building started as the Democratic party is now urging economy, and an appropriation would be hard to secure.

SECRETARY NEWTON SAYS HE HAS NOT READ REPORT

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, December 21.—Richmond may know within the next twenty-four hours what to expect in the way of additional post-office facilities and the exact location of the site. Whether a new building is to be erected or the present building improved, enlarged has not been made public. The report and recommendation of the post-office inspectors who investigate the Richmond situation are on Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Newton's desk. Mr. Newton has not read the report, and will not do so until some time to-morrow.

"All reports as to the decision of the Treasury Department," said Mr. Newton, "are simply guesses. Not a single of the inspectors' report has been given out, and not even an intimation of its contents has been given to me, except that contained in the official report and recommendation, which I have not yet read."

It is understood that no official announcement will be made of the findings of the inspectors unless the Treasury Department approves them. Should the views of the inspectors and the Treasury Department agree, an announcement may be expected at an early date.

Losses Left Arm.

W. E. Mosely, twenty-six years of age, of West Point, Va., is a patient at the Johnston-Wills Sanatorium, where he was brought following an accident, which his left arm was badly crushed in a sawmill. At the hospital it was found necessary to amputate the arm. Mosely is reported as doing well. He is a farmer and was engaged in sawing wood with a gasoline engine when his arm was caught in the governor of the engine.

Used Pool Ball as Missile.

Ernest Gray was yesterday arrested by Patrolman A. M. Smith on a warrant charging him with assaulting a woman. Frank R. Ruddle, a young boy, was engaged in playing pool in a Broad Street poolroom on the night of December 12. Ruddle is said to be able to throw a pool ball with such force as to strike a person on the head. The case will be heard before Justice Crutchfield to-day.

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